

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
RICHMOND DIVISION

In re:	)	Chapter 11
	)	Case No. 08-35653-KRH
CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC.,	)	Jointly Administered
<u>et al.</u> ,	)	
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Debtors.	)	
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**RESPONSE TO SEVENTEENTH OMNIBUS OBJECTIONS TO CLAIMS**  
**RE: CLAIM NO. 5002**

CMAT 1999-C1 Grand River Ave, LLC ("CMAT"), files this Response (the "Response") to the Seventeenth Omnibus Objection to Claims [ECF No. 10061] (the "Objection") and, in support of the Response respectfully represents as follows:

CC East Lansing 98, LLC (the "Landlord") filed claim no. 5002 (the "Claim"), which claim was subsequently assigned to CMAT [ECF No. 4202]. The Claim asserts a general unsecured claim in the amount of \$1,046,008.75 consisting of rejection damages and prepetition rent. The Objection seeks to reduce the amount of the Claim by \$127,694.49 and to allow the Claim in the reduced amount of \$918,314.26.

The Claim attached an analysis and calculation of the asserted rejection damages claim in the amount of \$1,002,858.75 and provides details in support of other unpaid prepetition rent for October 2008 and the pre-petition portion of November 2008.

The Objection fails to supply any details whatsoever challenging the explanation and analysis set forth in the Claim. Rather than providing its own calculation of rejection damages or prepetition rent due (or alleged errors in the analysis attached to the Claim), the Objection simply asserts that the "debtor's books and records" reflect a different sum.

Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3001(f) provides that a proof of claim executed and filed in accordance with the applicable rules is *prima facie* evidence of the validity and amount of the claim. The Claim and the supporting analysis and documentation attached thereto represent detailed information supporting the basis and amount of the Claim sufficient to warrant the presumption of validity provided by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(f). The Liquidating Trust must provide evidence sufficient to rebut the presumption of validity in order to shift the burden of proof to CMAT. *In re Mid-American Waste Sys., Inc.*, 284 B.R. 53, 65 (Bankr. D. Del. 2002); *see also In re Thompson*, 260 B.R. 484, 486-87 (Bankr. W.D. Mo. 2001). The Objection does not provide any evidence to rebut the presumption of validity nor does it advance any basis under Bankruptcy Code § 502 for reduction of the Claim.

The Objection leaves CMAT to guess at why it is that the Debtors' books and records apparently do not match the Landlord's own analysis. This leaves CMAT with little choice but to rely on the analysis and documentation provided in connection with the Claim until such time as the Liquidating Trust explains why it disagrees. Absent specific objections to the Claim, the Objection must be overruled and the Claim allowed in the full amount asserted therein.

Dated: April 6, 2011.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served via  
FedEx overnight on April 6, 2011, upon all parties as set forth on the attached service list.

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